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REPORT OF ACTIONS OF THE

FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MONDAY

May 23, 2005

DISABILITY SERVICES BOARD (DSB) – YEAR OF TRANSPORTATION (3:25 p.m.)

Supervisor Hudgins said that she has received complaints and became concerned about the limited options and reliability of the transportation modes available to the disability community. She has also been contacted by DSB, to determine how DSB and the Board of Supervisors can work together to address these concerns. As a first step, Supervisor Hudgins suggested that public meetings be held to determine specific areas in need of improvement and current barriers to service. She added that a team with representation from any or all of the following departments could be established, and tasked to hold public hearings in at least three areas of the County:

- The DSB
- FASTRAN
- Area Agency on Aging
- Department of Systems Management
- Department of Family Services
- Community Services Board

The meetings would be chaired by Department of Transportation. With the information provided through these public hearings by members of the disabled community, the Board would begin to identify and address the specific problems and necessary improvements required to resolve the growing trend of underserving the disabled community in their transportation needs.

Therefore, Supervisor Hudgins moved that the Board direct staff to develop an initial work plan by the July 2005 timeframe for conducting outreach to people with disabilities, including advertising and holding public forums, to address the limited options and reliability of the transportation modes available to the disability community; and produce a final report to the Board by October 1, 2005. Supervisor Smyth seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of eight, Supervisor Gross and Supervisor McConnell being out of the room.